The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to you today as a current satellite TV subscriber who would like to add my voice TO NOT SUPPORT the pending merger of EchoStar and DIRECTV.

In the interest of improving our access to competitive television and Internet service, I STRONGLY urge you NOT TO SUPPORT this merger.

Sincerely,

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